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REGION IX – ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA  
**SCHOOLS DIVISION OF ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY**

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**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

No. 071, s. 2026

**CELEBRATION OF THE 22<sup>nd</sup> NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH**

To: **Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Chief of SGOD and CID  
All Public School District Supervisors/In-Charge  
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
School Health and Nutrition Personnel  
All Other Concerned**

1. In reference to the Presidential Proclamation No. 559 dated February 24, 2004, which declares the month of February of every year as **National Dental Health Month**, the Department of Education encourages all public elementary and secondary schools to actively participate in the celebration of **22<sup>nd</sup> National Dental Health Month**. This nationwide month – long celebration will commence from February 1 to February 28, 2026.
2. The theme for this year's celebration is **“Dentista’y Kaagapay sa Ngiting Walang Humpay”**, which aims to increase awareness among public school communities on the importance of proper oral hygiene practices and preventive dental care as integral components of overall health and well-being, influence the community to priorities oral health care in response to high prevalence rates of dental caries and guide learners and DepEd Personnels in adopting lifelong oral health practices.
3. All schools of Zamboanga Sibugay Division are enjoined to participate and conduct the following activities:
  - a. Daily supervised toothbrushing drill using Fluoride toothpaste;
  - b. Oral health education focusing on proper toothbrushing techniques, healthy eating habits and the importance of regular dental check-ups;
  - c. Information dissemination activities such as poster making contests, lectures, classroom discussions, and advocacy campaigns related to oral health; and
  - d. Other related activities that will strengthen oral health awareness and promote healthy behaviors among learners.
4. All School Heads and School Nurses are encouraged to take the lead in the conduct of the above-mentioned activities.



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5. Accomplishment and Narrative reports with photo documentation on the activities done shall be submitted in hard copy to the School Health and Nutrition Section through the District Nurses on or before March 9, 2026.
6. Expenses incurred and all other relevant materials needed in the conduct of this activity are chargeable against School/Division MOOE.
7. Immediate dissemination of and compliance of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**VIRGILIO P. BATAN JR., CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent

Encls: As stated  
References: Presidential Proclamation No. 559 s. 2004  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
Under the ff. subject:

**NATIONAL DENTAL HEALTH MONTH CELEBRATION**

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